

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST

PROPOSITION 71

NOBEL PRIZE WINNING MEDICAL RESEARCHERS, DOCTORS AND PATIENT GROUPS HAVE STUDIED THIS MEASURE AND URGE: YES on 71.

- Stem cell research is the most promising area of research aimed at finding breakthrough cures for currently incurable diseases and injuries affecting millions of people.
- 71 is a well-designed program to find those cures.
- It's vitally needed because stem cell research is being restricted by politics in Washington.

The claims by opponents are misleading political scare tactics.

71 SUPPORTS ALL TYPES OF STEM CELL RESEARCH – including adult and cord blood stem cell research.

71 FOCUSES ON RESEARCH BY NON-PROFIT INSTITUTIONS – NOT CORPORATIONS.

- It's specifically designed to support the type of breakthrough research conducted by universities, medical schools, hospitals and other non-profit institutions.

71 REQUIRES PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY.

- 71 specifically says the institute overseeing the research MUST COMPLY WITH OPEN MEETING LAWS.
- It requires PUBLIC HEARINGS and INDEPENDENT AUDITS reviewed by the California State Controller and an independent oversight committee.

71 PROTECTS CALIFORNIA'S BUDGET.

Prop 71 is a good investment. Studies led by a Stanford University economist project that 71 will generate millions in new state revenues from royalties and new jobs, and that new medical treatments and cures can REDUCE CALIFORNIANS' HEALTH CARE COSTS BY BILLIONS.

71 is endorsed by over 20 Nobel Prize Winning scientists, medical groups representing over 35,000 California doctors and non-profit disease groups representing millions of suffering patients.

VOTE YES on 71 – TO FIND CURES THAT WILL SAVE LIVES.

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